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IN DIGITAL ALBUMS

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Pursuant to Rule 53, the above-identified application, enclosed herewith (including specification and claims), is being filed without a signed declaration or assignment in the names of the inventors, Joseph M. Geigel and Alexander C. Loui. The declaration and assignment will be filed later.

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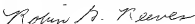
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